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ICCS WORLD COUNCIL

(*St. Louis, MO –USA, 01st – 04th December 2011*)

To:

*all the ICCS Member Organizations,
the Steering Committee of the ICCS,
the Regional Secretaries and Ecclesiastical Assistants of the ICCS,
the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM),
the Pontifical Council for the Laity (PCL),
the International Catholic Foundation of Scouting (ICFS),
the Catholic International Conference of Guiding (ICCG)*

Dear friends,

the next World Council of ICCS will take place in the United States (**St. Louis – Missouri State- USA**) from the **1st to the 4th December 2011**. St. Louis was chosen after we discovered that in Miami we could not get sufficient support and good accommodation for such a number of participants we are normally expecting. The participants should check on time their flight connections to get good prices. St. Louis has an airport but people may have to change through a big hug airport like Atlanta, Miami, New York, etc...

The Council will take place in the Retreat House called "Mercy Center St. Louis", part of the participants will be hosted also by a Hilton Hotel closed by. In St. Louis we will have a good support of the Catholic Scouts from NCCS/BSA, and Fr. Joseph Weber, the new Regional Chaplain of the Inter-America Region, is living there. The place that we have chosen will bring us back to the memory of our youth lectures from Mark Twain's wonderful stories about Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Fyn. We will see the Missouri River where all the stories happened.

Although we will have only a Council and not a Seminar, because this happened already in Curitiba (Brazil), this year in January just before the WOSM World Scout Conference, we want to run a seminar workshop as part of the Council about: "Family and Scouting. A partnership for education", followed by small working groups, pointing out the cultural differences of our participants and countries.

We will meet the Archbishop of St Louis, Msgr. Robert James Carlson, be informed about the life of the Catholic Church in the States and celebrate a Vigil Mass in the Basilica Cathedral.

